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British expedition in Victoria Land, is also shown. Nine maps on the African sheet show how important have been the changes made by diplomats and explorers in the maps of that continent. The maps illustrate the long journeys of the French in the Sahara, the productive itineraries of Du Bourg de Bozas in Abyssinian territory, Segonzac in Morocco, the Marchand Mission in the region of the Bahr el Ghazal, and the Lake Chad surveys. The American sheet is devoted to the discoveries of Sverdrup in the Arctic, the Alaskan surveys, the Chile-Argentina boundary, and the volcanic eruptions in the Lesser Antilles.

HUNGARY.—Budapest. Scale, 1:45,000, or 0.65 statute miles to an inch. Translated from the Hungarian (1901) and published by the Statistical Bureau, Berlin.

Showing the main streets, districts and bridges, and colored to indicate density of population from 100 to 1,035 persons to a hectare.

AFRICA.—Cameroons. Der mittlere Teil von Kamerun. Scale, 1: 1,000,000, or 15.7 statute miles to an inch. Compiled by M. Moisel. *Mitteilungen von Forschungsreisenden und Gelehrten aus den Deutschen Schutzgebieten*. Vol. XVI, No. 4, Berlin, 1903.

The included territory lies between the Sanaga River and the eighth parallel of north latitude. The map clearly expresses the topographic features along the routes followed by eight or ten of the Government surveyors, and locates many native towns whose co-ordinates, in some cases, have been determined. This is a good specimen of the new maps that are now contributing material to the improvement of atlas sheets.

## TRANSACTIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

### JANUARY, 1904.

The Annual Meeting of the Society was held at Mendelssohn-Hall, No. 119 West Fortieth Street, on Tuesday, January 19, 1904, at 8.30 o'clock P.M.

Vice-President Moore in the chair.

The following persons; recommended by the Council, were elected Fellows:

William Northrup McMillan. Charles R. Saul.

Messrs. Henry Vignaud, of Paris, France, and William H. Hunt, of Tamatave, Madagascar, were elected Corresponding Members.

The Annual Report of the Council was then submitted and read:

NEW YORK, January 14, 1904.

To the American Geographical Society:

The Council respectfully submit the following report for the year 1903:

The number of Fellows on the 1st of January was 1,198. The additions during the year number 150. The losses by death, resignation, etc., were 108, and the total Fellowship on the 31st of December was 1,240, of which number 356 were Life Fellows.

The additions to the Library number 3,851: Periodicals and Pamphlets, 2,891; Books, 594; Maps and Charts, 335, and Atlases, 31.

Six meetings of the Society were held in the year:

On the 27th of January Prof. William Libbey addressed the Society on the Jordan Valley and Petra;

On the 17th of March Mr. Harry De Windt described the incidents of his journey from Paris to New York by land;

On the 14th of April Dr. Elmer L. Corthell addressed the Society on Two Years in the Argentine Republic as Consulting Engineer of the Ministry of Public Works;

On the 17th of November Prof. E. L. Stevenson delivered the address on Martin Waldseemüller and the early Lusitano-Germanic Cartography of the New World, interrupted by the snow-storm of February 17th;

On the 15th of December Dr. Frederick A. Cook described his attempt to make the ascent of Mt. McKinley.

There have been published in the Bulletin, besides the Record and the Scientific Notes and Letters, seventeen original papers, including Commander Peary's Report on Work done in the Arctic in 1898–1902.

For the condition of the Finances reference is respectfully made to the report of the Treasurer, herewith presented.

At the meeting of the Council held on the 10th of December, the Cullum Geographical Medal was unanimously awarded to Dr. Georg von Neumayer of Hamburg, for his services to the cause of geographical science as explorer of Australia and director of the German Naval Observatory for thirty-seven years.

At the request of the authorities of the Eighth International Geographic Congress, which is to assemble in Washington in September, 1904, this Society has undertaken to conduct meetings of that Congress in New York on the 13th, 14th and 15th of September.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

HENRY PARISH, Chairman.

LEVI HOLBROOK, Secretary.

#### The report of the Treasurer was then read:

Report of the Treasurer to the American Geographical Society for the year 1903: General Account:

 Publications and Interest on Investments
 20,791.26

 Legacies
 3,256.60

\$31,174.44

There have been expended for Salaries, Meetings, Library, Publications, House Expenses, Insurance, Postages, Fur-

Leaving a balance for the General Fund.....

Invested ......\$68,850.00

Less received for mortgages matured and paid off... 56,500.00 12,350.00 31,109.86

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. R. T. Jones, Treasurer. The Committee charged with the duty of selecting candidates for the offices to be filled made the following report:

NEW YORK, January 14, 1904.

To the Council of the American Geographical Society:

The Committee appointed to recommend to the Society suitable persons to be elected in January, 1904, to fill vacancies then existing in its offices, respectfully report that they would recommend the election of the following named persons to the offices below designated:

President-ROBERT E. PEARY

(Term to expire in January, 1905).

Vice-President-D. O. MILLS

(Term to expire in January, 1907).

Treasurer—Walter R. T. Jones

(Term to expire in January, 1905).

Recording Secretary—Anton A. RAVEN

(Term to expire in January, 1907).

Councillors—LEVI HOLBROOK,

Morris K. Jesup,

GUSTAV E. KISSEL,

HENRY PARISH,

JOHN A. HADDEN,

(Terms to expire in January, 1907.)

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY HOLT,

W. H. H. MOORE, Committee.

FRANCIS M. BACON, )

On motion, duly seconded, Mr. C. C. Adams was authorised to cast the vote of the Society for the candidates and they were declared duly elected.

Mr. Robert Lansing then addressed the Society on "The Questions Settled by the Award of the Alaskan Boundary Tribunal."

On motion, the Society adjourned.

#### NOTES AND NEWS.

THE NEXT MEETING of the Society will be held at Mendelssohn Hall, No. 119 West Fortieth Street, on Tuesday, February 23, 1904, at 8.30 o'clock P.M.

The Rev. Putnam Cady will address the Society on the Physical and Historical Geography of the Dead Sea Region.

THE Index, Title-page and Contents of the BULLETIN for the year 1903 are distributed with the present number.